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ARTS UNDERGRAD'S SOCIETY WILL HOLD INITIAL SMOKER AT THE UNION THIS EVENING

Varied and Interesting Programme of Entertainment has been Provided by the Organization

BRUCE TAYLOR THE SPEAKER OF THE EVENING

Student Society Makes New Departure in Entertainment of its Members

The Smoker of the Arts Undergraduate Society being held at the Union tonight promises to be an unqualified success. In holding this function the Society is making a new departure in student affairs at the University, which will undoubtedly be followed by the undergraduate bodies of the other faculties in the near future.

The services of Mr. Bruce Taylor have been secured as speaker for the evening and a varied programme of entertainment will be provided, including musical and literary numbers such as have never before been attempted at McGill at any event but the annual vaudeville show. Smokes

and a light supper will be provided at the expense of the organization and although the Smoker conflicts with the rally of the Conservative party of the Mock Parliament, it is not expected that this will seriously affect the attendance. The following programme has been arranged for the entertainment of the guests:—Mandolin sextette, by members of the Mandolin Club; Character Songs, by Mr. Spencer; Trio, by the Orchestra; Recitation, by Mr. Jones; Song, by Mr. Armitage; Monologue, by Mr. Penny; Song, by Mr. McGarry; Piano Solo, by Mr. Nichols; Comic Song, by Mr. Lavery; Recitation, by Mr. Griffiths.

PROMINENT SPEAKERS WILL BE PRESENT AT CONSERVATIVE RALLY

Many Good Speeches Promised for Opposition Meeting To-night

All the necessary preparations have now been completed for the Liberal-Conservative Rally to-night and the event promises to be an elaborate affair from every point of view. The party leaders now do not regret that Friday evening's meeting was not the success it might have been for it has served to awaken the students of loyalty to their party than has ever been manifested heretofore. It has also served to create a greater interest in the approaching opening of the McGill Mock Parliament, and will ultimately tell for good both from a party point of view and from the point of view of the Literary and Debating Club. This deep interest which is manifesting itself in things political around the University could not have reached their present stage of development had it not been necessary to call off Friday's meeting.

By eight o'clock Wednesday evening it is expected that Strathcona Hall will be well filled with an enthusiastic audience of graduates and undergraduates to hear the addresses by Messrs. Pope, Baker, Foster and others.

In order to enable the students to invite their friends and also to enable the public to hear the leading political questions of the day discussed it has been made an open night and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend. Ladies are also given a special invitation to attend and special accommodation has been made for them by reserving the front right-hand seats of the Hall.

The appointment of whips and other necessary features of party organization is to be completed.

With such an array of brilliant oratory can be expected from Messrs. Senator Rufus Pope, Geo. H. Baker, M.P.; A. DeW. Foster, M.P.; Guy Drummond, B.A.; A. Papineau Mathieu, K.C., and Maracchal Nantel, an enjoyable evening can be promised. All McGill Conservatives are tonight expected to be in Strathcona Hall.

McGill last night contributed another graduate to a long list of those doing mission work in foreign countries. This was Mr. Dick Tipple, of Arts '10, who has many friends yet in college. He is remembered as a member of the Intercollegiate track team. He is to represent the Canadian Anglican Mission at Honan China.

HOCKEY SQUAD HOLDS FINAL DRILL TO-DAY --QUEENS HERE FRIDAY

Team will be Chosen on form Displayed in Practice this Afternoon

The last work out of the hockey squad in preparation for the opening fixture with Queen's on Friday night will be held this afternoon at the Arena and as the men have been in training for some time past this should put them in the pink for the encounter. Judging from the reports received from Kingston the Presbyterians appear to have a fast, well-balanced aggregation this year, and should make Ramsay Rankin's ice dogs step the limit when they clash in the opener. Owing to the lack of ice earlier in the season, however, the Queen's squad has hardly been on the ice together as much as desirable so far and may lack the stamina to go the rote, especially as they will be up against a husky hard checking defence in Hughes and Rankin. On the other hand the McGill squad has not shown much either in their exhibition fixtures or in practice, and if Queen's can stand the pace that the Red and White will undoubtedly set, they may be able to come out at the long end of the score. The practice this afternoon being the last before the game, the team to oppose the tricolor outfit will be chosen on the showing made in practice today. It is important that the following men should be on hand dressed and ready to go on the ice at ten minutes to five.—

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It is somewhat of a reflection of the Undergraduates of McGill that this art has never been taken up with any degree of enthusiasm. There is no reason why an organization should not be built up at this University which would be capable of competing with the Earl Grey or the Minto Skating Clubs.

Every year a few enthusiastic devotees of sport secure the use of the Campus rink and have a thoroughly enjoyable time. It is a hopeful sign that we have amongst us even a few who are interested in this form of exercise. We hope however that the interest this year will be more widespread and that the figure skating club will have a larger membership than ever in the past.

ELKHART PENNANT IS A FINE PAPER FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Humor Department is Exceptionally Good

The Christmas edition of The Pennant, published by the students of the Elkhart High School is a splendid example of the things that may be accomplished by high school students. The paper is attractively decorated and does not contain an uninteresting item. The department "To Make You Smile" is exceptionally good. The following are reproduced:

"You are the light of my heart," said Fanny, as softly she kissed him good night.

Then came a voice from the top of the stairs:

"Fanny, put out the light."

"The heavy fur coated man owned the gun-powder factory, and the lean, cadaverous person by his side acted as foreman and general factotum."

"Yes sir," remarked the menial to his master, "poor Bill is dead, right enough."

"And how did it happen?" asked the employer sadly.

"Well, sir," came the reply, "you see Bill went into the mixing room and by mistake struck a match."

The boss looked surprised.

"Fancy Bill, of all people doing that," he cried. "I should have thought that would have been the last thing he'd do."

"It was sir," replied the lanky one remorsefully.

"A dealer in building supplies in a certain city received this request from a small interior town:

"dear sir:—pleas send me enuf striped paint in a can to paint a barber pole. It must be red and white stripes."

"Grandpa had an easy chair, Johnny had a pin;

Papa had a trunk strap, And Johnny's pants were thin."

Owner—"How did you get the picture?"

Chauffeur—"Ran over a milk bottle."

Owner—"Didn't you see it in time?"

Chauffeur—"No the kid had it under coat."

"Bang! went the rifles at the maneuvers. "Oo-oo!" screamed the pretty girl—a nice surprised little scream. She stepped backward into the arms of a surprised young man.

"Oh!" said she blushing, "I was

SKATING CLUB PARTY WILL BE FEATURE OF NEXT WEEK'S EVENT

Success of Former Function Insures Continuation of Skating Parties on the Campus

The Executive of the Hockey and Skating Club this year are showing creditable energy in booming the campus rink. At a meeting held last night in the Union the Executive discussed the matter of adopting another innovation. It was considered that, as the skating party held last Friday evening was such an immense success it would be advisable to try something further along similar lines.

In the past it has been customary for the residents of Strathcona Hall to give a skating party, followed by an informal dance. These affairs have always proved thoroughly successful in every way....It was pointed out last night at the meeting that it was really rather the place of the Hockey and Skating Club to undertake anything of this nature. It was therefore decided that the Club would give a skating party followed by an informal dance.

All arrangements for this have not as yet been completed, but it was definitely decided to hold the entertainment in question next Wednesday evening as there is nothing else occurring on that date which could possibly conflict. The hall in the Union will be secured for the dance and the evening promises to be a successful one in every way.

The Hockey and Skating Club are seriously considering devoting one evening a week to skating parties. There are, however, many difficulties in the way of this scheme and it is doubtful if they will be able to carry it out. Weekly dances would, of course, be absolutely out of the question.

Tickets will be placed on sale for Wednesday night as soon as possible at the Students' Supply and they will also be obtainable from the manager, Mr. Reid, and the rink committee.

There will be a practice of the swimming and water-polo team to-day at the Y.M.C.A., Drummond St., at five (5) o'clock sharp in preparation for the American tour. All those rying for places should be on hand.

frightened by the rifles. I beg your pardon."

"Not at all," said the young man. "Let us go over and watch the artillery."

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The Denver Athletic Club is endeavoring to bring together teams representing all sections of the country in a track meet to be held in April. The Dartmouth college track team has already accepted the club's invitation and will probably meet the Leland Stanford or the University of California team.

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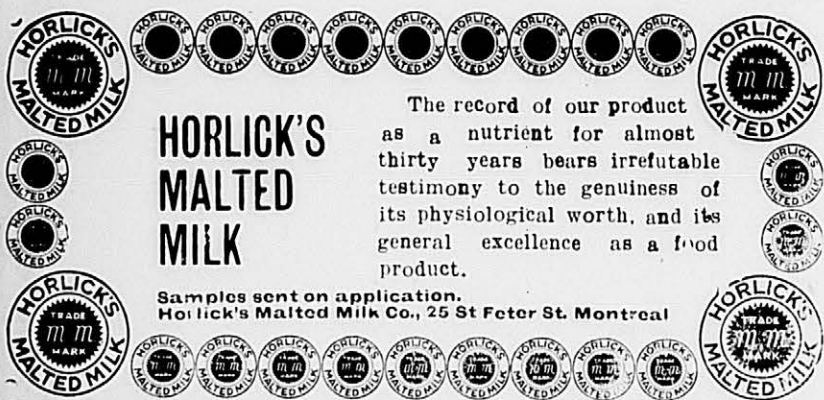
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That Varsity hockey team doesn't
loom up so large since St. Michael's
Arena on Friday night and the
handed them a nine to two beating
on Saturday at Toronto. The
Mike's outfit just managed to nose
out McGill a couple of weeks ago by
four to three.

Queen's look strong this year and
should be contenders for the Inter-
collegiate silverware this year. They
have a good defence, and a forward
line of coming speed kings, although
reports indicate that they are a trifle
light for senior company.

Toronto, with the new arena in full
swing is experiencing a hockey boom.
The crowd that witnessed the St.
Mike's-Varsity struggle on Saturday
was the largest in the history of the
game in that city.

Queen's open the season here at the
St. Michael's Arena on Friday night and the
counter should produce some good
on Saturday at Toronto. The
Mike's outfit just managed to nose
out McGill a couple of weeks ago by
four to three.

Hughes and Rankin on the McGill
defence should give some of the ath-
letes from our sister universities
something to think about this sea-
son. Both are finished players and
can use their weight when necessary.

American critics who have watched
visiting Canadian teams in the Un-
ited States this year consider Basil
Frith, the Varsity captain, to be the
most finished amateur in Canada.
Frith has been the star of the Blue
and White for the past four seasons.

ANTI SOCIALISTIC LETTER CALLS FORTH MANY REPLIES OF INTERESTING CHARACTER

Wickham's Letter Precipitates Controversy in which Ar-
guments Bearing on Socialism are Brought Forth

QUESTION OF RELIGION VIGOROUSLY DISPUTED

The Editor of McGill Daily,
Dear Sir:—

Our fellow student, Mr.
J. C. Wickham, is sadly lacking in
information concerning the Socialist
Movement. Socialism in a nutshell
means the abolition of private prop-
erty and the substitution in its
stead the co-operative commonwealth
which in other words means that all
the public utilities, such as railways,
mines, telegraphs and everything else
that the general public uses, should
be the property of all the people, like
the streets, the post offices, wharves
and a few other things that belong
to the people of Canada at present,
how will this interfere with his loy-
alty to his Alma Mater, or his re-
ligious zeal? What has it to do with
one man pulling down the Stars and
Stripes who happens to be a native
of the United States and not a for-
eigner.

The strike at Lawrence, Mass., was
a strike for better economic con-
ditions by the weavers who are sadly
exploited as has been proven by the
Congressional enquiry, the police
were the first ones to attack the ri-
ckers and it was they who shot down
the girl, Anna Piza, and clubbed in-
nocent men and women who were
peacefully trying to better their lot.
How does he smuggle Socialism into
this affair?

Wm. D. Haywood (not Haymond)
of the Industrial Workers of the
world (not United Workers of the
world) is not the leader of the ex-
treme Socialist branch; he is a lab-
or leader of ability and a native of
the United States; he cannot be de-
ported and no question ever arose of
deporting him. Where did Mr. Wick-
ham get his information?

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, not (Ill.),
under the Socialist regime has been
flourishing—the rate payers have
shown their appreciation by casting
more ballots for them than at the
time they were elected—they were on-
ly defeated by all the other parties
uniting against them.

As to the assertion that the great
part of the Socialists are foreigners,
Mr. Wickham must have received his
information from his own imagina-
tion. Who is the authority on stat-
istics of such nature? Take the last
figures in the United States election
for president, and note that those
centres that are thickly populated by
foreigners have given the smallest
percentage of Socialist votes and sup-
posing Mr. Wickham is right that the
foreigners are Socialists. It only
tends to show that the foreign el-
ement can on many occasions set an
example to our so-called native gen-
iuses, who happen to be here by ac-
cident, and not through their own
choice, for it might have been other-
wise had their grand fathers decided
to stay where they were or go to
other parts of the globe.

McGill University in a sense is a
Socialistic Institution. It is sup-
ported by the people's endowments
through their own direct contribu-
tions, or through governmental chan-
nels for the benefit of all. There is
no one individual who can enter Mc-
Gill and say it is mine! Does this
fact prove that Socialism is anti-re-
ligious, anti-Christian? Because it
is owned by the public? Now im-
agine the Street Railway, the water-
works, the hospitals and other pub-
lic utilities being publicly owned.
Would this effect anyone's private
views, his daily habits, family life,
artistic taste, etc., because they
would be the public property? If it
would do anything it would only im-
prove matters, it would lessen the
nervous strain, the terrific struggle
for existence would not be so keen.
The to-morrow would not be so un-
certain. We would expect a little
more broad mindedness—a little more
pain for information from a fellow-
student, a member of such a famous
Institution as McGill is.

By ridiculing Socialism by slander-
ing it by misrepresenting it, or by
ignoring it, one will not learn its
truths. If what the Socialists claim
is true let us hear what they have
to say. If science and truth is not
its foundation we will make it bite
the dust, but by all means let us
hear what they have to say. Per-
haps they have a message for the re-
demption of mankind.

Please give this letter the promi-
nence you have given the one of Mr.
Wickham, and oblige

JOS. E. ELIASOPH.

Montreal, Jan. 13/1913.

The Editor of McGill Daily,
Dear Sir:—

In the columns of the
Daily of Monday last appeared a let-
ter signed by J. C. Wickham oppos-
ing the establishment of a Socialist
Society at McGill. Mr. Wickham is
perfectly right in his opposition if
he sincerely believes Socialism to be
abnoxious as he implies. But I
should like to ask Mr. Wickham how
long has he made a study of Social-
ism? Does he fully understand it?
Judging from his arguments and the
arration of unpleasant and uncon-
vincing episodes I can hardly believe
he does.

He speaks first of the Socialists of
New York tearing down and mal-
treating the Stars and Stripes, "the
flag that gives them freedom and pro-
tection." (I will refrain from ask-
ing to whom it gives the freedom
and to whom the protection). Men
in the ranks of the Socialists there
are men of bigoted and fanatic minds
and I am prepared to say it was men
of this stamp who committed this
deed in New York. It certainly was
a misdemeanor, but for this one out-
break of foolish spite the Socialists
can quote hundreds of examples of
contemporary outrages by the capital
class, outrages more extensive in ef-
fect and of darker results. But these
are protested by tradition, jingoism,
and a code of out-of-date laws.

Everyone may be "familiar with
the outrages (?) committed by the
Socialists at Lawrence, Mass.," but
am sure Mr. Wickham is not. Is it
an outrage to demand better wages
and shorter hours? Is it an outrage
to resent the bare bayonets of a
graft influenced soldiery? Mr. Wick-
ham should read an impartial ac-
count of the occurrences at these
trikes.

So the Socialists are for the great-
er part foreigners? Are the Socialist
novelists, Jack London, Upton Sin-
clair, H. G. Wells, foreigners? Are
the leaders in politics who think and
work Socialism no matter what their
arty. Debs, McDonald, O'Brien,
Hardie, Lloyd-George, etc., foreign-
ers? Not with those names.

Seriously, now, let me inform Mr.
Wickham that Socialism is neither
"anti-religious" nor "anti-Christian"
it certainly is against any church of
"harisess and meaningless form. But
let us not confuse church with reli-
gion. A brief study of the subject
would show Mr. Wickham that the
principles of Socialism and Christian-
ity are identical. Socialism, in its
ideal, is practical Christianity, as
taught and lived by Christ; it is
founded upon the golden rule and em-
bodies every religion of love and of
truth that advocates the doing to
others as we would have them do to
us.

In conclusion let me say that per-
sonally I neither advocate nor op-
pose the establishment of this soci-
ety at McGill. Complete education
ends toward Socialism and this soci-
ety will neither increase nor de-
crease the number of REAL Social-
ists at McGill. But let us have a
rue light on all things.

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Regimental Order No. 9.
By Order O.C. C.O.T.C.

No. 1. Details: Officer for week end-
ing Jan. 22nd. Capt. L. M. Cosgrave
C.C. Next for duty, Capt. A. H.
Jelmer, C.F.A. Orderly Sergeants:—
A' Co. Sgt. Murrison; B' Co. Sgt.
Joke.

No. 2. Parades. The regiment will
arade Jan. 15th at 5.15 p.m. in the
Royal Highlanders Armoury, Henry
street.

No. 3. Clothing. There will be an
inspection of clothes on Wednesday
at 5.15 in the Armoury and every
member of the C.O.T.C. must be on
hand with all the equipment he has
received so that the ledgers may be
balanced. Anyone who has duplicate
equipment will please hand it in be-
fore 3.30 p.m. Wednesday afternoon
to Room 66, Engineering Bldg.

No. 4. New Rifles. Fifty new rifles
have arrived which will be issued to-
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A meeting of the McGill Swimming
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today.

A practice of the McGill Undergrad-
uate Orchestra for the stringed in-
struments only will be held Thursday
evening at 7.30 in Strathcona Hall.

McGill Liberal Conservative Rally
at eight o'clock in Strathcona Hall.
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cial organization work in prepara-
tion for opening of the Mock Parlia-
ment.

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DELTA SIGMA SOCIETY.

The Sophomore-Freshman debate
will take place at the meeting of the
Delta Sigma Society on Wednesday,
January 15th, at 4 o'clock. The sub-
ject is:—Resolved that the Panama
canal is a violation of the Hay Paunce-
forte Treaty. The debaters on the
affirmative are: Miss McCall, '16 and
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For full particulars regarding this examination, and for any other information, application should be made to the Secretary of the Militia Council, Ottawa, Ont., or to the Commandant, Royal Military College Kingston, Ont.

INTERESTING PAPER PRESENTS PHASES OF REALISM & IDEALISM Philosophical Society Heard Splendid Discussion on this Subject

Realism stated briefly is that things exist apart from their presentation to or conception by consciousness. Idealism contra says the reality of the external world is its perceptibility. On the idealistic side the two questions as to the existence and the knowableness of things are continually intermingled, and the existence of objects is not distinguished from their existence as objects. Idealism with all its faults had undoubtedly stimulated the investigations of our knowledge of the external world; in the form of doubt and questioning as presented by Descartes and Hanna. Idealism is both correct and useful—leading to the criticism of knowledge—Kant says all pure idealism from the Eleatic school down to Berkeley is covered by the formula: "All knowledge by senses is only experience is mere illusion: only in the ideas of the pure understanding and of the reason is truth."

The religious motives for idealism were traced through the Platonic Idealism—through Philo and Plotinus down to Berkeley and the present day Idealists. Reality is not to be unimpaired, and Berkeley's attempted expulsion of matter out of nature not only orays many sceptical and impious notions with it, but much else that he hardly thought it would. "The Cogito Ergo Sum" the chief support of a later Idealism often regarded as an axiom, makes inner experience more immediate and more certain than outer experience. But consciousness of one's self is perception—so also is the consciousness of another object connected with the perception of self. External perception has then the same immediateness as internal. The reality of the object moreover depends on the reality of the subject, and this again presupposes that the object actually exists. Humus position is that because we believe in the continued existence of things in accordance with our perceptions for this reason we

An Algerian Christmas

"Thy future life shall be better than thy present."

The Coran, IV, verse, XCIII chapter, which was given in Mecca, and which is named the "Sun of the Morning."

Satinik was seated on the sidewalk—her naked feet dangling in the gutter, her black hair twisted into a short braid, very hard and well oiled, like that of all the nice little girls from the Arab school or from among the weavers, and her brown hands were hidden under fragrant chains of jessamine. She regarded with a passionate stare the three original doors, flowered with rare enamels, of the catholic cathedral; unaccustomed lights scintillated in the terrifying and forbidden shadows of the church, and an unusual flow of the faithful left her perplexed. Surely, 'twas a great celebration to the infidels.

A little christian friend had tried to explain to her the delightful mysteries of Christmas Eve, the gifts, the toys, the story of the manger

said we should ascribe to them an existence apart from our perception, but this belief receives its confirmation mainly through the common consciousness which arises in thought intercourse with our fellow men. The conception of the continuity of an object is a condition of experience not a mere perception—only what is independent of our perception can continue outside of it. The evidence for an external reality is very strong indeed and receives daily confirmation. The existence of the material world is a fact the being of which is asserted by its perceptibility, and the facts of consciousness only have a complete interconnection when they are at the same time connected with external things a mere thought does not bring us into actual contact with any object. The character of external things is apprehended in the move of sensation peculiar to sense—its form in the form of sense, intaction and thought; neither is directly apprehended. But amid much disagreement the inherent contradictions of, and unthinkability of matter without mind still remains, and the idealist would claim that on analysing our knowledge we reveal the fact that all we know is essentially relative to mind. Feeling cannot be except for a consciousness that feels, equally little can an abstract 'idea' or 'content' derived from feeling have any meaning except in reference to a consciousness which at some time or other actually feels. Matter can exist only for mind. There must be some mind for which all that exists; and if the world is one, that mind must be one mind. "That the world implies a mind to think it is the conclusion almost all Idealists feel driven to an imperious necessity of thought. Neither Realism or Idealism singly explain all things satisfactorily and we use elements of both in our practical every day life.

ADMISSION OF LAVAL TO INTERCOLLEGIATE WILL BE CONSIDERED

Meeting of Executive will be Held To-night at Kingston.

At present the Intercollegiate Schedule is in a state of uncertainty pending the executive meeting in Kingston to-night, when the question of taking in Laval is to be considered but in the event of that university being admitted it is not likely that any of the present dates will be changed. Athletic manager, Reid leaves to-night to attend the meeting and it is understood that he will support the admission of Laval as will the Queen's representative also, since the withdrawal of Ottawa College Laval has been without an opponent in the league and it is felt at both Queens and McGill that they should be admitted to the senior section.

A meeting for the purpose of forming a Socialist-Labor Party for the Mock Parliament will be held at the Strathcona Hall, Room B, on Friday at five (5) o'clock. The formation of a Socialist Club at the University will also be discussed. All those interested are invited to attend.

Chaperon—Grace, did I see that man kiss you on the stoop?
Grace—Yes, Mrs. Prudella, but he couldn't help it; you know I'm so small.—Stanford Chaparral.

and the three wise men. The college where, as she believed, wealthy little Franks were taught the coranic rites, usually so noisy, was to-day closed and silent; while bazaars and hostilities vibrated in animation inexplicable to her, and Bab Azoun street showed brilliantly lighted and incongruous shopwindows. Assuredly, 'twas a very great celebration to the infidels! But Satinik's heart was far from joyful, she thought with terror of what awaited her at home.

Her father never spoke to her. This morose old man was a public scribe, and clients were few and far between. Seated all day in his loggia open on the street, watching with half closed lids the flitting shadows on the brass derbouskas and rebabas hanging on the walls, cosily wrapped in his burbanous and many layers of gandouras, a roll of paper beside him, a reel spattered with dry ink between his fingers, he dreamt, whilst delicately smiling at the spray of hyacinth slipped in the folds of his turban, of disparate and idle things. Born on the banks of the Chellif, he unceasingly regretted the infinite sands, the tufts of lentisks and the reddish tent which represented all his youth, and indolently cursed the adventurous spirit which had brought him to Algiers.

As for her mother, Satinik preferred not to think of her. This angular, choleric and taciturn dame only came out of her torpor to admire, in a hideous looking glass of which she was the envied owner, unlovely structures of greased braids, topped by bands of beaten silver, spangles, coins, and chains, or yet, dragging her well-worn babouches, veiled and revealed with soiled tchareifs, swinging lean hips in ample and bulging pantaloon, she sauntered from souk to souk, haggling over everything, buying nothing, and when at home, she invariably showed the same incompetency in the making of couscous and honey cakes.

This particular morning, the venerable lady had given her daughter, with a few slaps, a clove of garlic, two figs and a piece of bread, thirty of these flower garlands which little Algerian girls sell to rich strangers, tourists and infidel Franks, (may they be cursed by Allah in their fathers, sons, and little cousins!)

"Thou shalt sell them for two sous a piece, my lamb, my little lambkin!" had screamed the mother at sunrise, "and three sous if you can,—and this makes three francs, three francs at least, my carnation. But shouldst thou bring less than three francs to-night, lazy camel, beware, Go!"

And Satinik went. But how few were the sales, powerful Allah! All Algiers seemed absorbed in more important things than buying pretty garlands. (Deux sous, dix centimes, seulement, Excellence, deux, petits sous, monsie!—)

She had covered the city from one end to the other, scrutinized the arcades, worried the pleasure-seekers on the terraces of each cafe; at mid-day, she had sat for a few minutes in the shadow of the prancing bronze horse which overlooks the Place du Gouvernement, in front of the El-Kebir mosque she had waited for the curious travellers, a native policeman had hustled her because her cries annoyed the mufti of the Sidi Abderhamam mosque. At last a caravan of fair haired German girls, notwithstanding the imprecations of their guide, had bought two francs worth of her perfumed merchandise.

Alas, she yet needed twenty sous, and night was already falling, swift and many-tinted, with diaphanous clouds of amber and violet. She was horribly tired, and foresaw with fear her homecoming.

Then it was that Satinik, crying offily, went up the interminable steps which led to the Kasbah. In front of the scribe's door she listened for a long time to the noises from the inside; her mother was scolding as usual, Satinik convulsively clutched a rosary from Mecca which she wore as a necklace, she tried to hide behind her the flowers which she had not sold, and, bravely lifting the latch, she entered.

It was brief and tragic. A flood of questions and curses, the pitiful sous snatched from her hand and scattered on the floor, a rain of blows, then, through the door opened anew, the child was violently thrown into the street. Flight followed, wild, tearful, despairing. Between the grey walls, pallid and silent, here and there pierced by lighted squares, darkly crossed by iron bars, running down the worn stones, panting, slipping on unnamable and slimy waste, falling on piles of old iron, she left the arab quarter and rushed onto a path which climbs, steep and rocky, towards the white domes of Mustapha. But this was not her destination. She knew, in a dark, leafy and

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Six bells rang from the steamships anchored in the harbour as she arrived. Exhausted, trembling, bleeding from her hasty passage through bushes of alee, pointed like daggers, and shrubs of sharp cactus, she crouched on the warm sand, speckled with thin and brittle grass. Once there, her face buried in the palpitating refuge of her arms, frail thing shaken with deep sighs and wild spasms, becoming inert and relaxed, she slowly sank into sleep and beautiful peace. The narrow ledge, haven of childish despair, sloped towards the precipice, at first gently, then steeper till it reached the edge of the cliff. What movement caused the young and unconscious body to roll towards the abyss, what protecting and indulgent power directed its

course free from intervening shrubs that would have saved it?

Satinik gradually slipped towards hospitable death, and, after a short crackling of broken branches, was nothing more than a tiny corpse whose open eyes reflected the moon, whose long hands were contorted over garlands of faded jessamine and a blood-stained moslem rosary.

At this moment, the limpid voice of a flute trilled through the night; a shepherd's piping to the stars, an amorous plaint or a funeral dirge, it was sweet, sorrowful and infinitely sad. Then the song ended, as if surprised. The cathedral chimed suddenly tore apart the blue silence. Christmas had begun.

It was then that a subtle Arab soul, anxious and wondering, quietly blended itself with the clouds of myrrh and cinnamon which, on that night, precious and odorous, chain, bound all the earth and the heavens. And the child Jesus preferred this timid oriental aroma to all the other perfumes, because it reminded Him of the ineffable flowers of Palestine.